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Subject: POLREP#1 TENNESSEE AVE LEAD SITE

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TENNESSEE AVENUE LEAD SITE
BIG STONE GAP, WISE COUNTY, VIRGINIA 24219
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EVENT: WINDSHIELD INSPECTION

- I. SITUATION (1300 HOURS, MONDAY 25 JUNE, 1996)
- A. ON 20 MAY 1996, OSC EASTON WAS CONTACTED BY VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES (VADES) JACK TOLBERT CONCERNING A LEAD BATTERY DUMP IN A RESIDENTIAL AREA OF BIG STONE GAP. THE BATTERY CASINGS ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN DEPOSITED ON SITE IN THE 1960'S. THE BATTERY CASINGS ARE STREWN, WITH OTHER DEBRIS, IN A RAVINE APPROXIMATELY 150 FEET LONG BY 100 FEET WIDE AT THE NORTH END OF TENNESSEE AVE. VADES SAMPLED IN THE RAVINE AND IN NEIGHBORING YARDS WHERE CHILDREN PLAY. HIGH LEVELS OF LEAD WERE FOUND IN BOTH. AFTER RECEIVING THE ANALYTICAL RESULTS, VADES CORDONED OFF THE CONTAMINATED AREAS.
 - B. OSC ARRANGED TO INSPECT THE SITE ON MONDAY, 25 JUNE 1996.
 - C. PERSONNEL ON SITE: VADES-1, OSC-1, SATA-1.
 - D. WEATHER: OVERCAST, TEMP.'S IN LOW 80'S.
- II. ACTIONS TAKEN
- A. AT 0830 HOURS, VADES JACK TOLBERT, OSC EASTON AND SATA ARRIVED ON SITE. ALL PARTIES INSPECTED THE SITE. IT WAS NOTED THAT A STREAM FLOWS THROUGH THE RAVINE AND BEHIND A HOUSE DOWNGRADIENT. TOLBERT POINTED OUT BATTERY CASINGS AND PREVIOUS SAMPLING LOCATIONS.
 - B. ALL PARTIES THEN INSPECTED THE YARD DOWNGRADIENT OF THE RAVINE. TOLBERT EXPLAINED THAT DURING PERIODS OF HEAVY FLOODING, THE STREAM FLOWS INTO THE YARD.
 - C. ACCORDING TO TOLBERT, THE ALLEGED DUMPER IS HENRY KING, WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN. THE CURRENT PROPERTY OWNER IS WIDOW MAE GARDNER OF BIG STONE GAP, VA.
 - D. AT 0945 HOURS, ALL PARTIES DEPARTED SITE.
 - E. AT 1100 HOURS, TOLBERT AND SATA PERFORMED A DEED SEARCH.

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III. FUTURE ACTIONS

- A. SATA WILL PERFORM A MULTIMEDIA SAMPLING ASSESSMENT TO DETERMINE THE AMOUNT OF LEAD PRESENT AT THE SITE AND TO DETERMINE IF LEAD HAS MIGRATED INTO NEIGHBORING YARDS.
- B. OSC WILL CONTINUE TO COORDINATE WITH TOLBERT AND SATA CONCERNING FUTURE SITE ACTIONS.

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